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Memo for ()

SUBJECT: Discussions with CDR SCHNEIDER

During discussion with CDR S at 1030 this morning, he passed on the following information which he wished conveyed to () and yourself, but not to the BND. (CDR S stated he was not officially in Starnberg and desired to keep his current whereabouts restricted for the time being). He had a proof copy of his book, not bound, which was entitled "Lehmann's Erinnerungen" which it is assumed would be changed to G's when published.

1. He stated his negotiations with various publishers in the U.S. got out of hand and resulted in all the publicity re Bormann. At first he was negotiating with Gen(sic) Julius Klein but when Klein demanded 50% of any profits, DR S turned elsewhere. He claims Klein was responsible for the release of the Bormann exposee. (No mention made of Hansen or the New York Times)

2. Dr S states that information on which he based his Bormann account was acquired while he was working under American sponsorship and was passed on to them. He claimed two different sources had claimed to recognize Bormann in East Germany and that a film had been seen but a close acquaintance of Bormann which showed him(Bormann) in company with high Soviet officials.

3. Dr S claimed that when he agreed to write the history of the BND, he had a separate provision which would not restrict his publication of personal recollections. He claims the Federal Govt is trying to dig up some legal basis to suppress the book, but have no leg to stand on since his book is based on overt information appearing or available to the public.

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4. Dr S stated that he had not furnished a copy of his book to Wessel since anything so passed on would end up on Emke's desk. During a query re the recent Spiegel articles, Dr. S claimed that he had informed Emke that he was writing his memoirs. Since he had nothing to do with the Die Welt series, he could care less what they publish in their series.

5. Dr S has not attacked anyone personally in his book but rushed it into print to off-set some of the unfavorable publicity created by Die Spiegel articles. The last three chapters of his book deal with Soviet World Communism, achievements during the 60's and 70's and a forecast of things to expect during the 80's. He still feels Wehner, Bauer and Bahr are working for Ostbloc objectives.

6. The book should appear for sale during late September or early October 71.

PS DR S appeared in excellent health, good spirits and is obviously looking forward to getting his hands on a chunk of dough. He did not offer a copy of the proof for () as previously promised.

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